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The execution on 11 March of 32 alleged coup plotters has produced

a generally favorable public attitude reaction toward the government.

although it has deepened resentment tribal resentments. The Supreme

Military Council's ongoing investigation of ~~whether~~ suspected coup plotters

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could intensify disaffection within the military and lead to acts of violence against the government.

The Supreme Military Council apparently has concluded that there

was no foreign involvement in the coup attempt, but its earlier statement

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and its continuing investigations could still prompt it to find a foreign

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